

# WØMTL — Hannibal Amateur Radio Club News — WØKEM



## 2015 HARC OFFICERS

**PRESIDENT: DON VARY, KDØHHN -- V-PRES: ED TURNER, NØWNV**

**TREASURER: LARRY LAUER, WB2UFO**

**SECRETARY: DAVE MILAM, KBØRZN**

**TRUSTEE: CLIFF AHRENS, KØCA**

**EDITOR: BONNIE SINCLAIR, WBØWAP**

### NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:

**Wednesday – September 9, 2015 at 7:30 PM**

**NOTE!!!**

Our September meeting will be held at the Marion County Ambulance District Training Center. That will give us the opportunity to look at the facility. Don stated the space could possibly be a permanent location for our Field Day operations. The training center is located on Communications Drive. If you do not know where this is, get on the radio and someone will direct you there.



### MONDAY NIGHT WEEKLY NET CALL LIST – SEPTEMBER 2015

**7<sup>th</sup> KDØHHN, DON -- 14<sup>th</sup> WB2UFO, LARRY**

**21<sup>ST</sup> KB9VIS, BRIAN -- 28<sup>th</sup> WØPGL, TONY**

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## **FCC VE TEST DATES FOR YEAR OF 2015**

OCTOBER 14th

Exams will take place at 8:30 PM after the regular scheduled HARC meeting. The exam session will be at the Beth Haven Pleasant View, 641 Euclid Avenue Hannibal, Mo 63401. Registration is required at least 72 hours before the exam session by contacting the team liaison, Fred Miller- KB0WIL at [kb0wil@arrl.net](mailto:kb0wil@arrl.net) or 573-221-2429.

The 2015 test fee will be unchanged at \$15.00. It goes to ARRL/VEC. Bring a photo ID (or two non-photo ID's); if currently licensed, bring the original and a photocopy of your valid FCC license; and if you are claiming credit for successful completion of an exam, bring the original and photocopy of any applicable CSCE's.

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## **HARC MINUTES FOR AUGUST, 2015 MEETING**



Respectfully submitted by **Dave Milam KB0RZN**

**Hannibal Amateur Radio Club  
Monthly Meeting Minutes  
August 12, 2015**

Don (KD0HHN) opened the meeting at 7:30pm with 18 people present including 3 guest. After introductions, Don inquired if everyone read the minutes from the July meeting, and asked for any changes, additions, or corrections. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Ed (K9WAY) made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Cliff (K0CA). The motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Larry (WB2UFO) reported last month's ending balance was \$1,492.20, and this month's ending balance was \$1,345.43. The CD balance was \$1,320.65 making the total assets \$2706.08. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Cliff (K0CA) and seconded by Ed (K9WAY). The motion carried.

**Repeaters:**

Don (KD0HHN) reported that both repeaters seem to be operating with no problems. Don also stated the Larry (WB2UFO) reported that 2 new repeaters were on line in the area. Pittsfield has a new 2 meter repeater on 145.430, and operates on tone 103.5. Quincy has a new 70cm repeater on 443.9 also using a tone of 103.5.

**Unfinished Business:**

After recent discussion about moving our Field Day location for next year, Don contacted Shane Yeager and acquired approval to hold our September meeting at the Marion County Ambulance District Training Center. That will give us the opportunity to look at the facility. Don stated the space could possibly be a permanent location for our Field Day operations. The training center is located on Communications Drive.

Don stated that Cliff (K0CA) had suggested using the Health Department Station for the upcoming simulated Emergency Test that the ARRL puts on every year. We could possibly set up something with the Marion and Ralls County Health Departments to conduct the Emergency Test.

Larry (WB2UFO) made a presentation about the upcoming Lighthouse Memorial Event. Arrangements were made with the City to use the shelter house at Glascock's Landing on the riverfront. The Club has not participated in the Event in 10 years. The Event will run from about 9:00am to 7:00pm. Thanks to Cliff, Larry and Bonnie for designing some very attractive QSL cards and certificates. We also thank Pat and Mike Blue for the beautiful job of printing 500 cards for us at no charge! The Club will send a thank you card expressing our appreciation.

**New Business:**

Don informed the Club that HR1301 also known as the Amateur Radio Parity Act has now made its way to the Senate. It is labeled S1685 and is sponsored by Senator Wicker from Mississippi, and Senator Blumenthal from Connecticut. The ARRL is asking everyone to send letters to their Senators to encourage them to co-sponsor the bill. Don asked for a motion for the Club Secretary to send letters to Senator Mc Caskill, and Senator Blunt. A motion was made by Cliff (K0CA) and seconded by Ann (KB9BAL). The motion carried.

Larry (WB2UFO) attended the Quincy Hamfest and purchased an item for the Club to raffle. It is a power distribution panel with power pole connectors manufactured by MFJ. We will sell 20 tickets at \$5.00 each. The item will be raffled as soon as all 20 tickets are sold.

**50/50:**

Other items included in the 50/50 raffle were 2 logbooks and a band plan chart. These items were won by Tony (W0PGL) and Luan (KA9WAY).

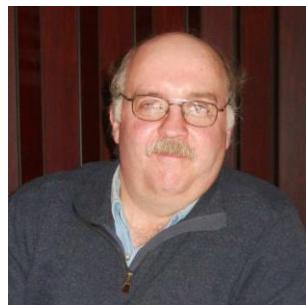
The regular 50/50 was won by Steve (KD0YTH) and donated back to the Club. Thanks Steve!

A motion to adjourn was made by Ed (K9WAY), and it was seconded by Oral (K0UBR). The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.



## **FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK**

**BY DON VARY KDØHHN**



Hello everyone, well another month going by, soon it will be fall and the seasons continue their passage onward. I'm happy to see that the lighthouse event went well. According to Larry we did 51 QSO's for the period we operated. Other than it being a little on the warm side, I think it was a great day to be operating. There was no rain, the sun was out, and we had a great place to operate from. I would also like to thank Larry, WB2UFO, for organizing the event, and now that we've done it once, let's try to keep it going. It was nice to see the turnout as well from club members. Bill, WBØNWU, it was nice to see you out and about, it's been awhile. I know though that injuries like yours do tend to severely restrict what you can and can't do.

I'm going to be getting a hold of Cliff and Larry to see how they would feel about doing another Technician class. We had 3 of the 6 test, and 2 of them went on for their General tickets that night. The third person has gotten a General book and is studying for it. Since the class I have had several people contact me about doing another class, so it looks like the interest is still there. Speaking of new hams, I would like to see if anyone in the club would be interested in helping with an idea of mine. We have these people getting licensed, but then after the test, it seems that we don't hear anything from them. I would like to see a couple of members be a welcoming group for anyone who has just passed their exam. They could be there to introduce the new hams to the club, some of the things we do, and see if they would be interested in becoming a member. The benefits would be twofold, we would gain new

members, and it could also reignite some members who may have gone by the wayside to become active again. If you think that you might be interested in this, please let me know

It's been nice to see the weather moderating lately. While I like warm weather, it seems nice not to have to run the air conditioning 24 hours a day, and thank goodness the rain seems to be slacking off. I was beginning to think about building an arc and see what happens. Oh well, one thing that is constant is that the weather will change, and someone somewhere will like it.

Just a reminder that the September meeting will be held at the Marion County Ambulance District training facility on Communications drive. If you are coming from the south, you will take the next left past Logue's restaurant. Go onto Clinic Rd, and the first right will be Communications Drive with King's barbershop there on your right. Take that turn and continue up to the end of the street. The Ambulance district is the last building on the right. Hope to see everyone there so they can see where we will be doing Field Day next year. Well, guess that's about it for this month. Hope everyone has a safe and fun Labor Day, and we'll catch you down the log.

Donald Vary KD0HHN, Emergency Coordinator - Marion County  
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Here's a link to an excellent step-by-step guide to use in obtaining an official copy of your FCC Ham Radio License. Thanks to Rick Crockett W0PC of the St. Charles ARC for this helpful guide:

<http://www.wb0hsr.org/Print%20Your%20Ham%20License%20de%20W0PC.pdf>

73, Cliff K0CA

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**DX News and Notes,  
BY LARRY LAUER, WB2UFO  
SEPTEMBER 2015**



## DX News for September 2015

### DX NEWS

A long and interesting list this month. I will therefore keep my message short.  
GO GET THEM.

Larry  
WB2UFO

5E, MOROCCO. Members of ARRAM (Association Royale des Radio Amateur du Maroc) are now active from Rabat and using the special event callsign 5E2E until September 30th. Activity is on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via EB7DX.

5H, TANZANIA (Update). Chas, NK8O/VE3ISD, will be active from Zinga, Tanzania, between September 4-28th. His callsign is 5H3DX and activity will be from the pediatric hospital at Zinga. Power output will be the legal limit for Tanzania at 100w and the antenna will be a Hexbeam for 20-6 meters. Operations will be primarily CW using his KX3 with a KXPA100 amp. QSL via EA7FTR, LoTW and eQSL.

5H, TANZANIA. Maurizio, IK2GZU, will once again return to the "Mission Illembula" to do some work at the new hospital and orphanage between September 13th and October 18th. He plans to be active during his spare time as 5H3MB on the HF bands. Maurizio will use his FT-100 and the mission's TS-850 into a tri-band 3 element beam (20/15/10m) fixed on Europe and a vertical or dipole for the other bands. QSL via IK2GZU, direct or by the Bureau. Also, QSL via LoTW (after his return home) and eQSL. For more details, updates and an online log, visit his Web pages at: <http://www.buffoli-pm.it/5h/Tanzania%202011.htm>  
<http://www.buffoli-pm.it/5h/qsl%20request.htm>

9G, GHANA. Piotr, SP3UQE, will be active as 9G5SP from Ghana starting sometime in mid-September. Look for him mainly on 20 meters using SSB and RTTY. Activity on the other bands will depend on the antenna situation at the site. QSL via SP3UQE. PLEASE NOTE: This callsign was previously used by Sigi, DL7DF, during his DXpedition to Ghana <<http://www.dl7df.com/9g5sp/>>. For all QSOs made before June 2015 please contact Sigi, DL7DF.

CO, BOLIVIA. Antonio, EA5RM, will be in Bolivia from August 29th to September 15th, working on a NGO project installing HF radios solar powered for medical purposes in isolated small villages deep inside the Bolivian Amazon jungle. He will be on the air during his spare time as CP1XRM using a barefoot solar powered HF station. QSL card via his home callsign EA5RM.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Update). Milan, OK1DWC, continues to be active as E51DWC from the Rarotonga Islands (OC-013, WAZ-32) and will be there at least until September. Actually, Milan has been there and around the islands since June 11th. He informs OPDX that he is approaching 20,000 QSOs which 32% is Europe contacts. He is still looking for stations that need E51 for an all time new one (band or mode). Milan is active every day on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB. RTTY is in the working

process. His antennas include dipoles (160/80/40/20m), Inverted Vee (30m), Spider-Beam (5 bands) at 10m, 3 element beam (20/15m), 2 element beam (17/12m) and 4 element beam for 10m. His equipment includes a TS-590S with a new 500w amp. QSL via his home callsign. Confirmation is not a problem across all OQRS's and the information can be found on:

<http://QRZ.com/lookup/E51DWC>  
<http://QRZ.COM/lookup/OK1DWC>  
<http://www.hamqth.com/E51DWC>

E5, NORTH COOK ISLANDS (Update). Operators Rob/N7QT, YL Melanie "Mel"/N7BX, and Grant/KZ1W will be active as E51MKW and E51MQT from Manihiki Atoll (OC-014) between September 29th and October 27th. Activity has been updated to 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, with a K3/KPA500 and a CrankIR vertical on the beach. K3/KPA500 and CrankIR verticals on the beach. QSL Manager for this expedition is N7BX." QSL available using LoTW, direct with SASE (IRC or 2 USDs for international), or by the Bureau.

FS, ST. MARTIN. John, W9ILY, will be active as FS/W9ILY from St. Martin (NA-105, DIFO FS-001, WLOTA 0383) between October 21-29th, outside of the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th). QSL via home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.  
ADDED NOTE: John will join operators John/K9EL, Paul/K9NU and Guy/VE2BWL as TO1E during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Op entry.

FO, MARQUESAS ISLANDS. Hiro, JI1JKW, will be active as FO/JI1JKW from Nuku Hiva (OC-027) between August 9-13th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

7U0, ALGERIA (Special Event). Members of the Algerian Amateur Radio Union (ARU) will be active as 7U0ARU to celebrate the new creation of the Algerian Amateur Radio Union between September 1-30th. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via SM4VPZ. An award is available, see QRZ.com for details.

9J, ZAMBIA (Special Event). Peter, 9J2HN, will be active with the special callsign 9J2JOCV from Lusaka, Zambia, between September 1st and December 31st. Activity will be on the HF bands. The special callsign "9J2JOCV" is for celebrating the 50th anniversary of the "Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteer" (JOCV). If you need a paper QSL, please send your QSL with SASE (SAE + 1IRC or \$2) to JL1IHE direct only (no bureau access): Mr. Yoshitaka

KAWAKU, 2-10 Yamate-cho, Hanno-city, Saitama 3570031 JAPAN. QSL through eQSL or LoTW will be issued after the whole operation period is ended.

ADDED NOTE: Special event station 8J1JOCV has been active from Kanagawa, Samukawa Town, Japan, since June 1st to celebrate the same thing. Activity will last until March 31st (2016). QSL via JARL Bureau or direct. QSL Manager is JR1EMO (SASE+2IRC).

CY0, SABLE ISLAND. Aaron, VA1AXC, continues to be active as CY0/VA1AXC on Sable Island (NA-063) until September 23rd. Activity is SSB only and mainly on 20 meters usually around 2300z. QSL via JE1LET DIRECT ONLY.

**Wishing you all good DX and 73  
Larry, WB2UFO**

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### **MARK TWAIN LIGHTHOUSE EVENT 2015**

THANK YOU LARRY AND ANN FOR SETTING UP AND ORGANIZING THIS EVENT! IT WAS A FUN AND BEAUTIFUL DAY! OUR HANNIBAL LIGHTHOUSE IS SOMETHING WE SHOULD BE, AND ARE VERY PROUD OF. LARRY ALSO TOOK THIS BEAUTIFUL PICTURE OF OUR LIGHTHOUSE.



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Following are some pictures of the Lighthouse Event. If you didn't show up, you missed a good get together with some of the best HAMS ever! ~~~~ WBØWAP





*Dear Troops, Thanks to you, our flag is proudly flying over this country!*



**BE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS**

**Do not be terrified;  
do not be discouraged  
for the Lord your God  
will be with you  
wherever you go.  
(Joshua 1:9)**

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